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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- 1 Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)
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- 2 Certification Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)
[before Final Office Action or Allowance]
- 3 Fee Payment Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)
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- 4 Petition, Certification & Petition Fee Payment Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d)
[before issue fee payment]

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
Washington, D.C. 20231,
U.S.A.

Sir:

The following are submitted in the above-identified application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.97 & 1.98:

- 5 A list of documents on form PTO-1449 together with copies of each identified document. A copy of the Annex to form PCT/ISA/206 is

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This paper is submitted in accordance with:

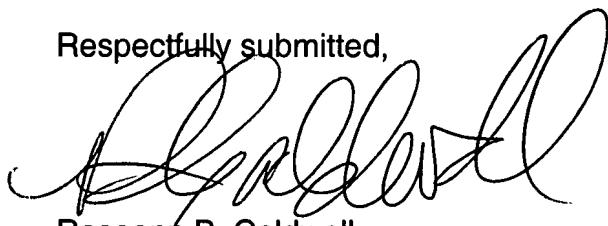
- []6 37 CFR 1.97(b): [within 3 months of filing or prior to 1st Office Action]
- [XX]7 37 CFR 1.97(c): [before Final Office Action or Allowance, whichever is earlier]; and
- [XX]8 The required certification made in item 11 below; or
- []9 The \$210.00 fee specified in 37 CFR §1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is authorized in item 14 below.
- []10 37 CFR §1.97(d): [before issue fee payment]; and
 - (a) This is a petition for consideration of the subject Information Disclosure Statement. The petition fee (\$130.00) required by 37 CFR 1.17(i)(1) is authorized in item 14 below. (Direct this letter to: "Attention PETITIONS EXAMINER" and if applicable include batch locator information: e.g. "Allowed Files, Batch _____, Date of Allowance _____"); and
 - (b) The required Certification is stated in item 11 below.
- [XX]11 Certification
- [XX]12 Each item of information contained in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement; or
- []13 No item of information contained in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the

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